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Lamira West and Mary
Lamira West

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Mary West Peterson

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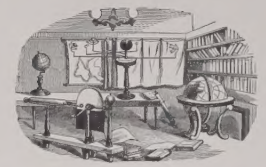

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KNOW YE, That satisfactory evidence having been presented to us of the good moral character, scholarly attainments and teaching ability of Mary L. West, we, the State Board of Education, do hereby grant her this

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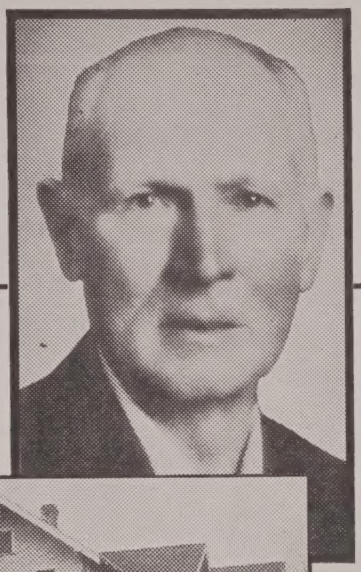
Chris Peterson, Hillsboro, Oregon, urges systematic saving.



Chris Peterson

The Peterson farm home, near Hillsboro

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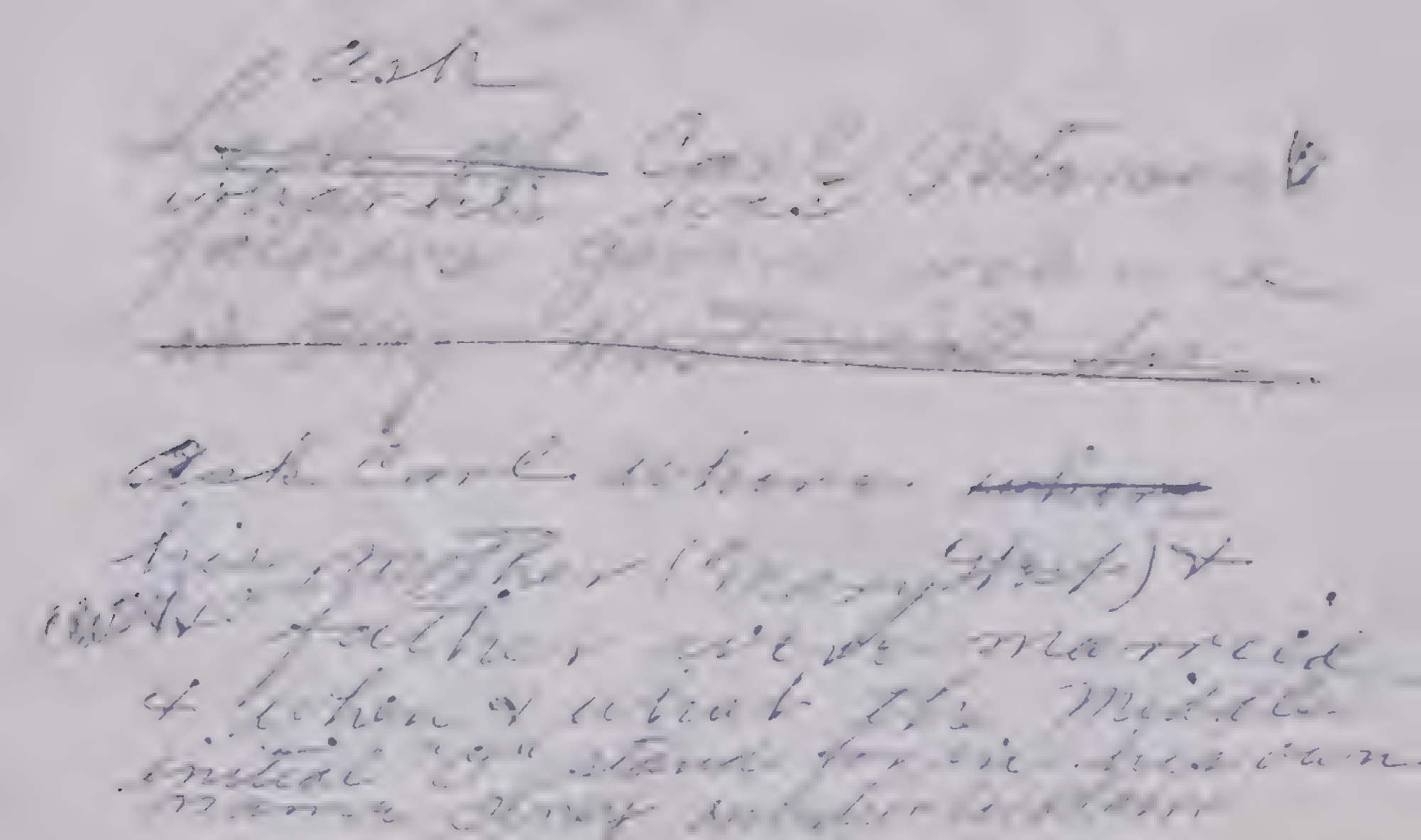

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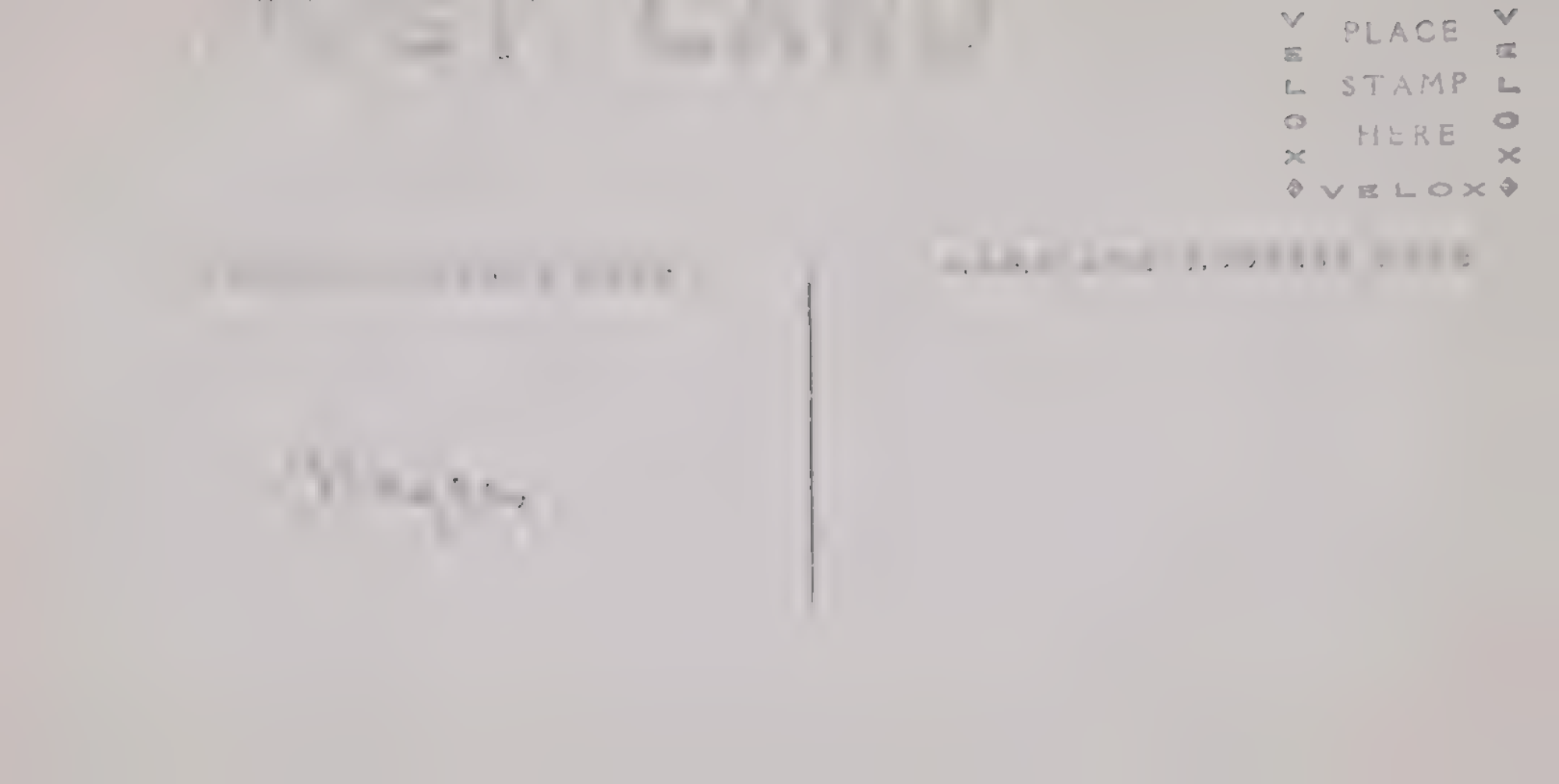
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JOSIAH WEST - OREGON PIONEER

Portland, Oregon 1920

Josiah West, one of the most widely known of Oregon's progressive dairymen, died at his home at Clatsop Plains, below Astoria, on August 10, 1920, at the age of eighty-nine years. He was born in New York State, March 21, 1831, and when a young man moved to Wisconsin. In 1854 he crossed the plains to Oregon and settled in Washington County, near the city of Portland, Oregon.

He was married to Lamira Harrison, at Forest Grove in 1862. He is survived by five daughters and three sons - Mary Peterson, wife of Chris Peterson of Hillsboro on Route 3; Mrs. Maud Prescott, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Daisy E. Fulkerson and Mrs. Rose Johnson, Seaside, Oregon; Mrs. Violet Adams, Clatsop, Oregon; Lloyd West, Brownsville, Oregon; and Willis J. and Paul H. West, of Seaside, Oregon. He leaves fourteen grandchildren.

Mr. West was highly respected and his acquaintance was statewide. He was possessed of a splendid brain, had a quaint humor that won him many friends, and he was noted for being one of the best after dinner speakers in the state. He had traveled widely and a few years ago made a trip to Europe. On his return he made the remark: "No country can beat the United States and no state can beat Oregon." When the gods sent me to Oregon they sent me to the right place."

MARY L. PETERSON November 1933

Mrs. Chris Peterson, age sixty-seven, of near Hillsboro, pioneer daughter of Oregon, died at the Good Samaritan Hospital on Tuesday, of pneumonia which she contracted following an attack of influenza. She had been in the hospital four days.

Funeral services to be attended by members of the family and close friends will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Edward Holman mortuary on Hawthorne Avenue in Portland. Following the services the body will be taken to the Portland Crematorium for cremation. Burial will be at Clatsop Plains.

Mary Lamira West was born June 7, 1866, the daughter of Josiah and Lamira Harrison West, Oregon pioneers. Her mother came to Oregon from Iowa in 1846 and her father came here from New York State in 1859. The family home at first was on Sauvies Island and later on Clatsop Plains near Seaside.

She was educated at the Tualatin Academy in Forest Grove and at the Good Samaritan Training School for Nurses in Portland. She taught school for a number of years in Washington and Clatsop counties in Oregon, and Pacific County, Washington.

On May 14, 1895, she was married to Chris Peterson and they made their home for five years on the Jacob Kamm place near Astoria. In 1902 the family moved to their present home three miles northwest of Hillsboro, which was her home until the time of her death, excepting for five years in Forest Grove.

Deceased is survived by the widower and three children - Carl Peterson at the home place near Hillsboro; Laurence Peterson and Mrs. Marjory Kunkel of Los Angeles. Seven brothers and sisters survive as follows - Lloyd G. West, Brownsville; Will West, Paul West, Mrs. Daisy Fulkerson, Mrs. Rose Johnson, Mrs. Violet See, all of Clatsop County, and Mrs. Maud Prescott of Theodore, Alabama.

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I am expecting to l[illegible] Los Angeles traveling with Mr. McAlear. From there I will go [illegible] Mexico City. On the morning of the 26th I expect to leave Mexico City by Rail with [illegible] party from the Explorers Club of Mexico for an Exploration trip to guatemala which will include climbs to the summits of the Five highest mountains in Central America. The party is scheduled to be back in Mexico City January 16th.

I will have my mail sent to the United States Consulate in Mexico City.

Yours,

Carl

Warrenton Dec 15 1948

Dear Carl:

[illegible] received your generous donation of a bag of guano - to help keep the wolf from our door. Many thanks. To tell you the truth, had you asked me I could not tell anything but that - I have waited a few days before acknowledging receipt, to see how it would are. I have been waiting [illegible] to observe, as the [illegible] in the Valley [illegible] empty, or I will [illegible] but have [illegible] perfectly filled.

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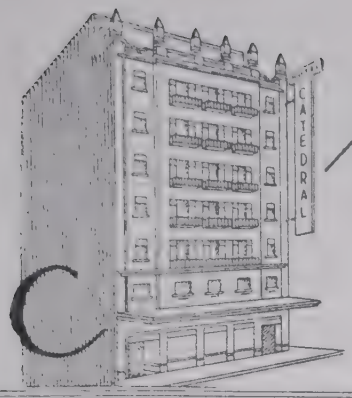

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Jan 28th.

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I have been here several days. I left my car at Tijuana and came here by plane. Monday Jan. 30th I will fly on the Canadian - Pacific plane to Lima; Peru. I will expect to be there a week or more and then to Ecuador and Bogata. If I have time I will stop in San Salvador and Guatemala on the return. Expect to be back in Tijuana about Mar 10th. I will call for mail at the U. S Consulates in Lima and Quito, Ecuador.

It is very sunny and pleasant here.

Yesterday I visited the Hospital Jesus Nagarino, founded and endowed in 1536 by Cortez. It's still operated in the original buildings. The bones of Cortez are entombed here. They have a blood bank and good equipment.

Carl Peterson

Hillsboro, Oregon. Mar. 31st 1953.

Dear Marjory:

Thanks for the Christmas gloves and the Life Magazines. I found the gloves and the December letter when I returned home the 20th of Feb. I had my mail forwarded from Mexico to Central America and I didnt get some of it for two months.

I flew from Mexico to Panama where I remained a week and then to Costa Rica for a week, with another week each in Nicaragua and Honduras. It was a 13 hour day flight from Mexico to Panama and was very interesting with good view of the country all of the way. Flew over some erupting volcanoes in El Salvador and Nicaragua. Panama is very interesting and not too tropic-there is a breeze most of the time and the city is quite clean. I crossed on the Railroad to Colon and took some trips into the country.

Costa Rica is the jewel of Central America. The people are Spanish-almost no Indians and very friendly. The soil is rich and the climate at the Capitol, Elevation 3500, is ideal-cool at night but warm enough for every type of tropic vegetation. Said to be the worlds greatest variety of orchids here.

Nicaragua is interesting but quite primitive without much accomodation for tourists. It is the dry season and the wind blows the dust badly in the afternoons. The many volcanoes and the lake are wonderful. In the afternoon when the wind blows the surf on the lake is more rough than the ocean. I went by Railroad from Managua to Leon the second city and location of the University for a few days. I stayed at a little Spanish hotel where most of the guests were students at the University. They were very nice people. The room and three meals cost $2.25 per day. On Sunday I took a trip with three of the students to the Punaloya beach 15 miles from Leon on the Pacific. It was a very delightful beach and the water quite warm.

I went from Managua to Tegucigalpa, the capitol of Honduras. The interior near the Capitol is very dry and the soil is poor and rocky-very little tree growth e xcept pine. The mahogany forests are on the Caribbean side of the

country. This country is very poor and primitive. There are almost no roads except those where only ox carts can travel. There is a great deal of air transportation here and a great many air fields throughout the country. They even bring out the cotton and coffee from the interior by air.

I visited the School of Tropical Agriculture. This school is 40 miles from the Capitol and the only public conveyance is the milk truck. It took 3 hours for the trip on account of the many trails off from the road to pick up small amounts of milk but was an interestin trip. This country is extremely mountainous and rough. The Escuela is maintained by the United Fruit Co. for the boys of Latin America. The course lasts three years and the boys are furnished everything. The School has 9000 acres of land and very good buildings and equipment. There are boys from twelve countrys. Dr. Wilson Popenoe, the director and about half of the teachers are from the U.S. Dr. Moeller, the business agent, took me in his jeep over the hacienda to see the many activities of the school.

I had intended to stop in El Salvador but didnt ask for my visa until I was ready to leave and found it would take three days so I returned to Mexico where I remained a week until I flew to Tijuana where I had left my car and returned home.

When I was in Panama I asked the Consulate in Mexico to send my letters Air Mail to Costa Rica and afetr waiting 8 days I concluded they had not sent them. When I returned to Mexico I was told they had been sent. I finally got them all two weeks after I returned home. According to the post marks it took them two weeks to go Air Mail from Mexico to San Jose-the planes fly daily in ten hours.

I have some good people here at home and have decided to to go to Europe this spring. I have a reservation on the Scandanavian Airlines to leave New York May 11th for Copenhagen and will arrange the rest of my trip from there, and will expect to return home about the end of July. May go by bus across Germany to Switzerland and Italy and fly from there to Spain and England.

Yours,

C. A.

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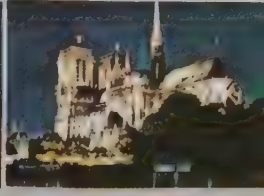

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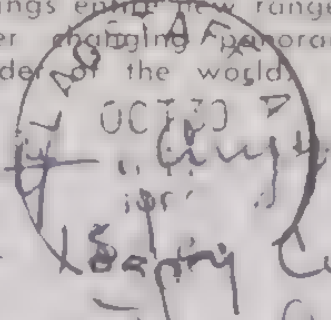

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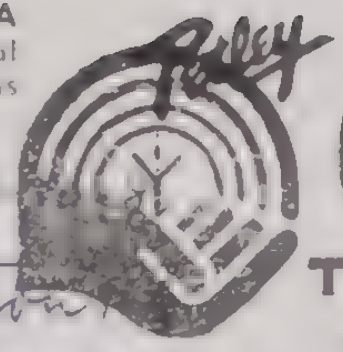

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Born in Hungary, Bela Boszormenyi-Nagy studied at the Liszt Academy in Budapest, where his teachers included Imre Keeri-Szanto, Erno Dohanyi, Zoltan Kodaly and Leo Weiner. A winner of the coveted Liszt Prize for three consecutive years, Mr. Nagy's first teaching assignment was at the Liszt Academy. After nine years there, he accepted a position at the Royal Conservatory of Toronto. Other appointments followed: Artist in Residence and Professor of Piano at Indiana University, Boston University, North Carolina School for the Arts and The Catholic University of America.

Mr. Nagy has appeared in over 500 engagements, including solo recitals, chamber music and orchestral appearances. He premiered Bartok's Third Piano Concerto in Budapest, Florence, Toronto, Prague and Chicago, and has appeared with major orchestras throughout the world, including the Budapest Philharmonic, the Toronto Symphony, the Chicago Symphony and the Boston Symphony.

Mr. Nagy's teaching career has been equally distinguished. He has led over 300 workshops to date at over 150 schools in 45 states of the U.S. In recent years, he has taken special interest in a summer workshop for teachers and students at Marylhurst College for Lifelong Learning. This workshop, the Oregon Piano Festival, brings together some of the most outstanding piano teachers and students from throughout the U.S. and other countries. It is scheduled this year at Marylhurst July 5-23.

In addition to his musical accomplishments, Mr. Nagy holds a Ph.D. in Political Science. His interest in political science and sociology has brought him challenging assignments such as the presidency of the Canadian Hungarian Federation and the Bartok Academy in Hungary. In January of this year, he was awarded the Bartok Memorial Award by the Hungarian government.

CARL O. PETERSON

Mr. Peterson is the donor of the Baldwin concert grand piano which is being dedicated at today's program. A Hillsboro resident, Mr. Peterson studied the piano as a youngster. His lifelong love of piano music has been generously expressed in gifts of high quality instruments to institutions such as Marylhurst College. As Mr. Peterson states it: "There are very few good pianos around, so I thought when I was able, I would provide some good pianos in key spots in the area." The gift of the Baldwin concert grand to Marylhurst was arranged in cooperation with Bryan's Piano Company of Portland.

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Sonata in B Minor
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Scherzo molto vivace
Largo
Finale presto non tanto

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Nocturne in B Major, Op. 62

Two Mazurkas:
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D Major

Two Etudes:
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Two Waltzes:
A Flat Major
E Minor

The Marylhurst Music Division will host a reception in Flavia Hall following the concert. The public is invited.

Carl O. Peterson lived a frugal life, but he was generous in death.

Hospital receives $11 million windfall

A retired farmer remembers his mother and Good Samaritan

By PATRICK O'NEILL
of The Oregonian staff

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Bequest: Peterson recalled as extremely shy

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Good Samaritan officials announced the bequest Thursday. They said it would generate $500,000 a year for capital improvements and nursing education. Income from the trust, administered by U.S. Bank, will depend on the performance of the investments in Peterson's portfolio.

Clair Siddall, president of the Good Samaritan Foundation, said the foundation had worked with Peterson for some time so the gift was not a surprise. But the size was shocking.

"I was amazed at the size of it," Siddall said. "We expected somewhat less than that. But because of the performance of the stock market, it turned out to be more."

The bequest is large by Oregon standards. But Peter Jackson, who is in charge of donor relations for the Oregon Community Foundation, said he has heard of gifts in the state that are three to four times larger.

Peterson moved off of the 110-acre family farm south of Hillsboro in 1973 and took an apartment at Terwilliger Plaza.

Blaise Feeney, assistant administrator, said Peterson was a solitary figure at the complex.

"He was a loner here, and he really didn't have any friends," Feeney said.

During the last three years of his life, Peterson's mental condition deteriorated, and he would occasionally become belligerent, playing classical music on his piano late at night despite the complaints of neighbors.

Feeney was astounded to hear of the $11 million bequest.

"I knew he was a multimillionaire," he said. "But I didn't know it was that many multis. He didn't spend a dime — that's an exaggeration, of course. He wore old khakis, tattered sweaters. It looked like he got his clothes from somebody under a bridge. He looked like he came right from Burnside. He was unshaven, disheveled, wore old clothes."

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Bequest: Farmer never sold his stocks

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Peterson's stockbroker for the past 15 years, Neil D'Amico, vice president of Portland's Gallagher Capital Corp., described his client's not-too complex investment strategy: "He bought good stocks and held onto them."

Peterson, whose father had been an indentured farm worker in Denmark, bought stocks of the 50 largest American corporations.

"His thought was that they got big because they knew what they were doing," D'Amico said.

"He just believed in America and in the economy," D'Amico said. "He was a great believer in natural resources and your basic industries. He bought the drugs, the chemicals, the oils. He did have this thing where he didn't spend the money he made through his investments.

"I think he knew how much he was worth but he didn't have any idea of the value of a buck." D'Amico said. "Most people think of money as a medium of exchange. You give people money and they'll give you something you want. But he just kept the money. He had no desire to buy anything."

D'Amico said he believed Peterson purchased a number of concert grand pianos for colleges and universities around the state.

"He wasn't miserly," he said. "He just had the money."

Peterson was a shy, unassuming person, D'Amico said. "He was extremely shy, I would say, almost to a fault."

D'Amico said that if he met Peterson on the street, his client would avert his eyes to avoid greeting him. Yet he would come to D'Amico's office unannounced and chat for an hour at a time.

Paul Akre, assistant vice president and probate administrator for U.S. Bank, helped arrange for graduate students at Portland State University to sit with Peterson beginning in mid-1987.

In April of that year, the bank was appointed as Peterson's conservator because he had become unable to handle his affairs.

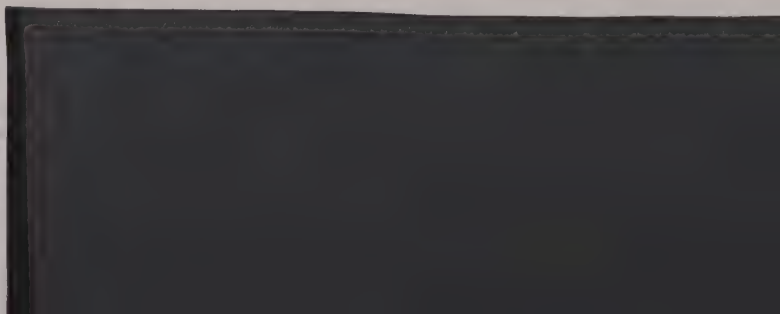
"Carl got to the point where he was wandering off and getting lost," Akre said.

As Peterson became more feeble, he drew away from people.

"He turned into a little bit of a hermit, I guess," Akre said. "The college students really turned out to be great. They got him out of his shell and took him places."

One of them took him to a recording studio, where he made a tape of his piano-playing.

Margie Hanley, Good Samaritan vice president, said 60 percent of the bequest will be used for nursing and nursing education — mostly for scholarships and funds for postgraduate studies. The remaining 40 percent will go for equipment and capital improvement.



May 26, 1990

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Peterson never married and had no children. He lived frugally, investing his money in high-quality common stocks. He had few close friends and spent little money on himself. He enjoyed traveling, walking around the Portland State University campus and playing his baby grand piano, which was piled high with investment documents and corporate annual reports.

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Clair Siddall, president of the Good Samaritan Foundation, said the foundation had worked with Peterson for some time so the gift was not a surprise. But the size was shocking.

"I was amazed at the size of it," Siddall said. "We expected somewhat less than that. But because of the performance of the stock market, it turned out to be more."

The bequest is large by Oregon standards. But Peter Jackson, who is in charge of donor relations for the Oregon Community Foundation, said he has heard of gifts in the state that are three to four times larger.

Peterson moved off of the 110-acre family farm south of Hillsboro in 1973 and took an apartment at Terwilliger Plaza.

Blaise Feeney, assistant administrator, said Peterson was a solitary figure at the complex.

"He was a loner here, and he really didn't have any friends," Feeney said.

During the last three years of his life, Peterson's mental condition deteriorated, and he would occasionally become belligerent, playing classical music on his piano late at night despite the complaints of neighbors.

Feeney was astounded to hear of the $11 million bequest.

"I knew he was a multimillionaire," he said. "But I didn't know it was that many multis. He didn't spend a dime – that's an exaggeration, of course. He wore old khakis, tattered sweaters. It looked like he got his clothes from somebody under a bridge. He looked like he came right from Burnside. He was unshaven, disheveled, wore old clothes."

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Las Vegas, Nevada
June 16, 1990

Dear Vincent:—

The Above, U.S National Bank Trust Dept. sent the details about Carl. But it was still in motion, but I did not take the Comments made by Mr Bank Trustee of Federal Reserve Bank. They were all kind and well taken for. —

Can I see you — do enjoy me the task of writing the last Sunday Sundays. I cannot help you very much — however, I do re — Member hearing that you & the West Side & Bronx Bronx Zoo, New York to the year in 1959.

The Hargraves family came from Virginia to Iowa — in 1846 they crossed the plains on the Oregon Trail and settled on Honey Creek. Because they built the first flour mill in the west. Honey creek is three miles South East of Council Grove. You may find historical back ground at Kansas University of the Newspaper office. Nearly all the west family are at rest at Clatsop Plains Cemetery near Warrenton. I believe Aunt Carol and Aunt Rose have more furniture from the first home to the

Museum in Batavia. I
wouldn't have beautiful Marble-
top tables, Mahogany
furniture and Some Swiss
Music boxes. I hope you
can locate that item.

I am making my Copies of
two letters Written about
trips to England and South
America. The one from Mexico
I must preserve — the history
of the people and the primitive
life of the people interested
me. Girls life was
different but very Interesting —
He travelled all over the
World.

I must apologise for
my poor hand writing -
I have dabbled in My
Images. The Golden Grass"
has taken like "fire" -

Best regards from
Margaret.

December 13, 1990
1914 S. E. Hemlock Ave.
Portland, Oregon 97214

Miss Mary Ann Invie
Good Samaritan Foundation
1015 N. W. 2nd
Portland, Oregon 97210

Dear Miss Invie:

Thanks for calling me about the ceremony at the hospital, naming the new Nursing Education Building, "Peterson Hall".

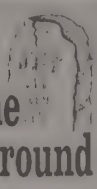
I'm so happy about that!

Sincerely,

Violet Lamira West Kaser

Enc. Clipping from Willamette Week

Notes from the Underground



■ **Carl O. Peterson**, altruistic agriculturalist, died Aug. 31, 1989, in Portland at the age of 93.

Peterson, who owned a 110-acre farm in Hillsboro, retired from farming in 1973 and moved to an apartment at Terwilliger Plaza, where he kept to himself. Never married, Peterson made most of his money through investments in numerous companies, such as Allied Signal, Exxon, Chevron, Louisiana-Pacific and Georgia-Pacific. He held $819,375 of Pope and Talbot stock. According to a June 15 inventory filed in the Washington County Courthouse, Peterson's estate was worth $11,524,704.43.

In an October 1980 will, Peterson directed that his remains be donated to the University of Oregon Medical School. If the school refused the gift, Peterson asked to be cremated and have his ashes "scattered upon the farm where I have lived" at 5455 NW Glencoe Road in Hillsboro. He specifically insisted that "no funeral service of any kind shall be held." He made the following bequests:

- $5,000 to his sister, Marjory Kunkel;
- $5,000 to Richard T. Jones, a cousin;
- $40,000 in trust to Donald Peterson of Anchorage, Alaska, a nephew;
- $40,000 in trust to Shirley Peterson Keene of Cornelius, a niece;
- $1,000 to First Congregational Church of Hillsboro;
- $1,000 to Tualatin Plains Presbyterian Church;
- $1,000 to St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church;
- his library and all his musical instruments, including a $14,000 grand piano, to Pacific University in Forest Grove; and
- $20,000 to Eric J. Thomson of Rhodesia, a companion during a monthlong tour of England and Scotland in July 1975.

In a 1983 addition to the will, Peterson left $10,000 for the advanced education of Peter Heinrich of Eugene, a 14-year-old boy "of exceptional ability."

All the rest of the huge estate went in trust to the Good Samaritan Foundation in honor of his mother, Mary Lamira West. The foundation was directed to use 60 percent of the money for the nursing education program at Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center and 40 percent for medical equipment. If the Good Samaritan Foundation somehow ceases to exist, the money is to go to the board of trustees of Stanford University. ■

Good Samaritan Foundation

December 14, 1990

Mrs. Violet West Kaser
1914 S.E. Hemlock Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Mrs. Kaser:

You will be pleased to know that the Good Samaritan Foundation has made excellent progress in the distribution of Carl O. Peterson's recent gift for support of nursing education here at the Hospital. We are just about to complete our first year's distribution from his trust and, at this time, I am especially proud to report that 56 student nurses have already received scholarships from the Peterson Nursing Scholarship Fund. We have established the Peterson Scholarship Committee, composed of staff and faculty, to meet routinely to determine those deserving students who are eligible to receive these scholarships. I wish I could share with you the warm and grateful letters which we receive from these young women.

Indeed, we are just beginning to realize the enormous future implications of Carl Peterson's gift supporting nursing education, a wonderful gift which will truly enhance the quality of patient care in Oregon. For this we are all especially grateful and, indeed, you should feel quite proud of Carl's remarkable and far-sighted philanthropy.

I would also like to take this opportunity to tell you that we are planning an event which we feel will be a fitting tribute to Carl's memory. I am, therefore, happy to announce that we plan to formally dedicate our nursing education building in memory of Carl Peterson and in recognition of his generosity to future generations of nursing students. The new name of this building will be Peterson Hall.

In this regard we wish to cordially invite you to attend this dedication ceremony to be held on April 2, 1991. In addition, we wish to invite you to be our guest at a small luncheon following the dedication. Other members of Carl Peterson's family will also be invited. I am sharing this information with you well in advance of April so you might

have the opportunity to save the date for this special event. We will, of course, send you more specific information and an official invitation early in 1991.

In behalf of the entire staff of Good Samaritan Foundation, I would like to take this opportunity to extend warm best wishes for a very happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

A. C. Siddall
President

ACS:dm

Good Samaritan Hospital
& Medical Center

1015 N.W. Twenty-Second Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97210

Mrs. Violet West Kaser
1914 S.E. Hemlock Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97214

Mr. James M. Sanger, President
Good Samaritan Hospital & Medical Center
and
Dr. Charles U. Walker, President
Linfield College

Cordially invite you to attend the

Dedication of Carl O. Peterson Hall

Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing

Tuesday, April 2, 1991
11:15–11:45 a.m.

Auditorium, Room 110 (Lower Level)
Administration/Education Building
2255 N.W. Northrup
Portland, Oregon

Dedication of Carl O. Peterson Hall

Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing

Portland, Oregon

11:15 a.m.

Tuesday, April 2, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-one

Dedication of
Carl O. Peterson Hall
Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing

Master of Ceremonies — James M. Sanger, President
Good Samaritan Hospital & Medical Center

Music — Piano Recital by Carl O. Peterson
(Recorded on April 28, 1989)

Welcome — James M. Sanger

Dr. Charles U. Walker, President
Linfield College

Invocation — The Right Reverend Robert L. Ladehoff
Episcopal Bishop of Oregon

Introductions — James M. Sanger

My Friend, Carl Peterson — Wendell Wyatt
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